

Bedtime Stories For The Little Ones

UNCLE WIGGLY'S RED MITTENS.

By HOWARD GARDIN.

"Wait a minute, Uncle Wiggly!" called Nurse Jane Fussy Wizzer, the muskrat lady housekeeper, to the bunny rabbit audience one morning. He was just leaving his hollow stump bungalow to look for an adventure.

"Do you want to come with me, Jamie?" asked the rabbit, as he blew his cold, white breath up sideways on his pink, twinkling nose, to see how cold Jack Frost had made the weather.

"Oh, no, I haven't time to come with you," answered Miss Fussy Wizzer. "But here is a little something I just made for you."

She gave Uncle Wiggly a beautiful pair of red mittens, which she had been knitting the last few nights when she was staying at home instead of going to the movies.

"Oh, thank you, Sister Jane! Thank you very much!" And Uncle Wiggly blew his muskrat lady housekeeper a kiss from the tip of his paw, he was so much obliged.

"I thought you'd like them," she said. "They will keep your paws warm these cold days."

"Indeed, they will!" cried the bunny, as he tried on the red paw warmers. "I'm sure I don't know how to thank you, Nurse Jane."

"Well, just bring me home some peppermint candy when you come," begged the muskrat lady, for she liked the kind best of all.

Uncle Wiggly promised that he would, and then he hopped on over the fields, looking for an adventure. At first he wore his new red mittens, but after a while as the sun came out and the day grew warmer, even though there was snow on the ground, the bunny took off the red mittens and put them in his pocket.

"No use wearing them when it isn't cold," he said to himself. "They'll last so much longer the less I wear them."

Well, Uncle Wiggly was hopping along, and he was beginning to think nothing was going to happen that day, when, all of a sudden, something fell out of a tree over the bunny's head and landed right at his feet in the dried leaves.

"Oh, my goodness, an snake alive and a basket of soap bubbles!" cried the bunny. "What's that?"

"I hope I didn't scare you," spoke a chattering voice, and up sat Billie Muskrat, one of the squirrel brothers.

"Well, you did scare me—just a little," laughed the bunny rabbit. "But I'll forgive you, as you didn't intend to do it. Did you just pour soap when you fell from the tree, Billie?"

"I didn't fall—I jumped," answered the squirrel boy. "I climbed up to get one of the last honey nuts that was hanging there. It didn't come down when Jack Frost made the others fall, so I went after it. Then I saw you, and I wanted to walk along with you, so I jumped in the soft leaves. That was quicker than running down the tree."

"I don't want to be late, either," said the bunny. "Well, we'd better walk along. It must be almost time for the last bell to ring at the hollow stump school, and I don't want to be late."

"I don't want to be late, either," chuckled Billie. "If I'm late the lady mouse teacher won't let me play with the bean bags you brought her, so we could have recess fun. No, indeed! I don't want to be late."

Uncle Wiggly and Billie hurried on, and they were almost at the hollow stump school, when, all of a sudden, they saw the bad old fox on the path right in front of them.

"Oh, no. This time I've caught you," barked the fox.

But Billie saw a little cave, or hole in the side of the hill, close to where he and Uncle Wiggly were standing, and quickly he jumped in there and

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"Oh, now. Oh, double wow! This must be a fireman after me, he's so red! Oh, I didn't know a red-mouthed fireman was in the cave with Uncle Wiggly!"

And off the fox ran, with his tail between his legs. The red mittens on the snow had frightened him away. Billie and the bunny came out and the squirrel boy got to school just as the last bell was ringing, so he wasn't late at all. Then Mr. Long-

NO ROOM FOR RUSSIANS

IN CASA GRANDE VALLEY.

Casa Grande, Ariz., Dec. 2.—There is no room for Russian farmers in the Casa Grande valley. This decision

has been reached by local residents, who so notified a couple of auto loads of Russians that came here from Glendale in the Salt River valley seeking cheaper lands. It is told that these Russians refused to do any sort of war service last year and preferred to go to jail rather than even register as aliens at the time of the draft. No residents are wanted here.

MOONEY-BILLINGS MURDER

CASES DROPPED BY COURT

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 2.—Two cases involving charges against Thomas J. Mooney and Warren K.

Hillings, now serving life sentences at San Quentin and Folsom prisons, respectively, were dismissed here Monday by superior court Judge Louis Ward.

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